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SUBJ: VISIT TO POLAND OF HUNGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY FIRST
SECRETARY JANOS KADAR

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE
JUNE 21 - 23 VISIT OF HUNGARIAN FIRST SECRETARY JANOS
KADAR TO POLAND. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER AS ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

2. BEFORE'S KADAR'S LATE AFTERNOON DEPARTURE, HE AND
POLISH FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK MET WITH THE POLISH
AND FOREIGN PRESS. THE MEETING WAS TELECAST IN FULL
IN THE PRIME TIME NATIONAL TELEVISION NEWS PROGRAM A FEW
HOURS LATER. AT THE END OF THE TELECAST, IT WAS NOTED
THAT THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE WOULD BE PUBLISHED IN THE
PRESS THE FOLLOWING DAY.

3. DURING THE PRESS ENCOUNTER, BOTH PARTY LEADERS
MADE LENGTHY, APPARENTLY EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS, MOSTLY DEVOTED
TO EXTOLLING THE TRADITION OF POST-WAR COOPERATION
AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN POLAND AND HUNGARY.

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GIEREK SEVERAL TIMES REITERATED POLAND'S
APPRECIATION FOR HUNGARY'S SUPPORT DURING WORLD
WAR II. KADAR SAID THAT HUNGARY AND POLAND SHARE
"SOLIDARITY" WITH ALL NATIONS FIGHTING AGAINST
COLONIALISM AND FOR NATIONAL RIGHTS; KADAR ALSO SAID
THAT THERE CAN BE "HONEST COOPERATION" WITH
DEVELOPED CAPITALIST COUNTRIES IF THOSE COUNTRIES

WANT TO COOPERATE ON THE BASIS OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE.

4. THE STATEMENTS BY GIEREK AND KADAR TOOK UP MORE THAN HALF AN HOUR, PERMITTING TIME FOR ONLY THREE QUESTIONS. THE FIRST WAS ASKED OF GIEREK BY RESZARD WOJNA, A CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER AND COMMENTATOR FOR THE PARTY PAPER, TRIBUNA LUDU. (AS THE SENIOR, RANKING POLISH JOURNALIST, WOJNA ALSO ASKED THE FIRST QUESTION AT PRESIDENT CARTER'S WARSAW PRESS CONFERENCE DEC 30, 1977.) WOJNE ASKED, IN EFFECT, FOR GIEREK'S ASSESSMENT OF THE STATE OF DETENTE IN VIEW OF "NEGATIVE" OR DISCOURAGING DEVELOPMENTS OF RECENT WEEKS. IN REPLY, GIEREK SAID THAT, IN ORDER TO GET BACK TO THE SPIRIT OF HELSINKI, A SALT II AGREEMENT SHOULD BE CONCLUDED; THERE SHOULD ALSO BE PROGRESS ON ARMS LIMITATIONS GENERALLY, GIEREK ADDED.

5. THE WARSAW AFP CORRESPONDENT ASKED GIEREK ABOUT THE COMING COMECON SESSION AND THE POSSIBILITY OF STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN THE COMECON STATUS. GIEREK REPLIED THAT HE AND KADAR HAD DISCUSSED THE SESSION, BUT NOT STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN THE ORGANIZATION ITSELF, SINCE THEY ARE NOT NECESSARY.

6. A JOINT COMMUNIQUE DEALT EXTENSIVELY WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ECONOMIC COOPERATION - BOTH BILATERALLY AND WITHIN THE COMECON FRAMEWORK; IN THE IMMEDIATE PERIOD AND IN THE LONG-TERM, THROUGH 1990. INCREASED, SPECIALIZED PRODUCTION COOPERATION WAS MENTIONED FOR THE AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, MOTOR VEHICLE, ELECTRONIC AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, REFERENCES WERE ALSO MADE TO LONG-TERM, MUTUAL DELIVERIES OF FUELS, RAW MATERIALS AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS. THE COMMUNIQUE'S UNUSUALLY DETAILED DISCUSSION OF PLANS FOR INCREASED INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION, AND THE FACT THAT KADAR'S VISIT TO A POLISH FIAT FACTORY WAS ONE OF THE MAIN EVENTS OF HIS VISIT, IMPLIED PROBABLE AGREEMENT FOR INCREASED HUNGARIAN PRODUCTION OF PARTS FOR THE POLISH MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY. THERE PROBABLY ALSO WILL BE AN OVERALL INCREASE IN CO-PRODUCTION ACTIVITY IN SEVERAL OTHER INDUSTRIAL SECTORS.

7. OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRESS MEETING AND COMMUNIQUE: PEACE AND SECURITY, DISARMAMENT AND DETENTE ARE OBSTRUCTED BY THE ANTI-DEMOCRATIC ACTIVITIES OF THE LEADERS OF CHINA; POLAND AND HUNGARY, LIKE THE USSR, STRIVE FOR NORMAL RELATIONS WITH CHINA. POLAND AND HUNGARY NOTE THE PEACE INITIATIVE REPRESENTED BY

BREZHNEV'S VISIT TO WEST GERMANY. MORE ECONOMIC COOPERATION LIKELY WOULD COME WITH THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN COMECON AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. BOTH POLAND AND HUNGARY ARE AGAINST NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDING THE NEUTRON BOMB; THEY AFFIRM THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH VIETNAM; THEY WILL STRIVE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS WITH SOCIALIST AND SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTIES. THE TWO COUNTRIES AFFIRM THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE JUST FIGHTS OF THE ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIAN PEOPLES.

8. GIEREKA ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT HUNGARY AT A TIME TO BE ARRANGED. KADAR WAS SEEN OFF AT THE AIRPORT BY GIEREK AND THE OTHER TOP LEADERS OF THE PARTY
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